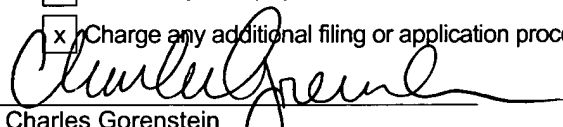


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This is a Reply to the final Office Action dated November 17, 2005 and to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment dated February 2, 2006. This is a request for reconsideration of the claims in this application. The claims have not been amended and are the same claims as set forth in the Reply of August 19, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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